

Code of Conduct for Members of Staff

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All members of staff are expected to comply with the NHS Scotland guidance for staff conduct. These underlying principles were set out in <u>NHS Circular</u> <u>MEL (1994) 48 - Standards of Business Conduct for NHS Staff.</u>

A comprehensive NHS Shetland Code of Conduct for Staff Members is under development, for consultation through Area Partnership Forum during 2019.

Until such a time as this document is approved by the Board and published and communicated accordingly, staff will adhere to:

- 1) The national Standards of Business Conduct for NHS Staff (at above link);
- 2) The Corporate Governance Handbook in so far as it relates to staff members, for example in relation to Section 5 Scheme of Delegation (and staff responsibilities pertaining to this), Section 6 Standing Financial Instructions, and Section 7 Code of Conduct with regard to the registering of gifts and hospitality.
- 3) The conduct expected by professional regulatory bodies (e.g. GMC, NMC, GDC, HCPC).
- 4) The extant local policies and procedures in place, with particular attention to the Board's:
 - Fraud and Corruption Policy
 - Social Networking Policy
 - Grievance and Whistle Blowing Policy
 - Managing Conduct Policy
 - Eliminating Bullying & Harassment Policy